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COUNTY ROADS.

Report of Road Commis- sioners for 1877.

For The Building Of Wagon
Roads From Phoenix To
Globe, Prescott and Yuma.

To THE HONORABLE,
The Board of Supervisors.
Maricopa County,
Territory of Arizona.

GENTLEMEN:

In accordance with the require-
ments of an Act of the Ninth Legis-
lative Assembly, approved February
9th, 1877, entitled an Act authoriz-
ing a loan on the faith and credit of
the County of Maricopa, Territory
of Arizona, and to provide for build-
ing a wagon road from Phoenix in
Maricopa County, to Globe City, in
Pinal County, and roads to Prescott,
via Black Canyon, and via of Wick-
enburgh, and road from Phoenix to
Yuma via Agua Caliente: we have
the honor to report as follows:

DECLINED TO ACCEPT.

The Board of Wagon Road Com-
missioners under the above Act, met
in the Town of Phoenix on the 28th
day of February, 1877, and there
were present John Smith and J. B.
Barton. The Board was organized
by the election of John Smith, as
Chairman. Charles T. Hayden one
of the Commissioners named in the
Act, declined to accept office of Com-
missioner.

CLERK EMPLOYED.

The Commission employed J. T.
Alsap, as clerk of the Board and
then proceeded to locate the follow-
ing roads, viz., from Phoenix to Globe
City, commencing at the north-east
corner of the Town of Phoenix, run-
ning thence east on section line a
distance of two (2) miles. And
road from Phoenix to Prescott via
Black Canyon, commencing at the
north-west corner of the Town of
Phoenix, and running thence north
on section line a distance of two (2)
miles. And road from Phoenix to Yuma
via Agua Caliente, commencing at
the north-west corner of the Town
of Phoenix, and running thence west
on section line a distance of two (2)
miles.

THE ROAD FROM PHOENIX TO YUMA.
March 1877. The Commission
awarded to King S. Woolsey, the
contract to build the road from Phoe-
nix to Yuma via Agua Caliente, to be
completed on or before the first
day of June 1877, for the sum of
fifteen hundred dollars in County
Bonds.

THE ROAD ACCEPTED.

It appearing by the report of one
of the Commissioners who was ap-
pointed a committee of one, for the
purpose of examining the road, that
the said King S. Woolsey had com-
plied with his contract, it was order-
ed that the Bonds be issued in ac-
cordance with said contract: and in
accordance with said order Bonds
Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, of the value
of two hundred and fifty dollars each
issued April 11th, 1877, were deliv-
ered to said King S. Woolsey and the
road was accepted.

SEALED PROPOSALS.

June 3rd, 1877. The Wagon
Road Commissioners ordered notices
to be posted in three public places,
advertising that sealed proposals
would be received on or before June
13th, 1877, by the Commission, in
the Town of Phoenix, for the con-
struction of roads from Phoenix to
Wickenburg and from Phoenix to

Swilling's Ranch on the Agua Fria,
to be paid for in County Bonds at
their par value.

CONTRACT LET.

On said 13th day of June, 1877,
the Road Commission met in the
Town of Phoenix and proceeded to
open all the bids offered. J. H.
Pierson offered to construct a road
from Wickenburg on the west side
of the Hassayampa, running on the
line selected by John Smith, (one of
the Commissioners) to the present
traveled road from Smith's Mill to
the Vulture Mine, for the sum of
fifteen hundred dollars in County
Bonds.

This being the only bid offered,
the Board after careful examination
of the proposal of J. H. Pierson, ac-
cepted the same and awarded him
the contract.

FROM PHOENIX TO SWILLINGS RANCH.

Three bids were offered for the
construction of the road from Phoe-
nix to Swilling's Ranch on the Agua
Fria.

The Board after mature delibera-
tion on the bids, awarded the con-
tract to Martin Thompson, for the
sum of fourteen hundred dollars, in
County Bonds at their par value.

ROAD FROM WICKENBURG TO VUL- TURE MINE ACCEPTED.

October 4th, 1877. John Smith
reported that J. H. Pierson had
completed the road from Wicken-
burg as per contract of June 13th,
1877, and it was ordered that Bonds
to the amount of fifteen hundred dol-
lars, be issued to him and that the
road be accepted.

THE ROAD FROM PHOENIX TO SWIL- LING'S RANCH ACCEPTED.

It was also ordered upon the re-
port of John Smith, that Bonds to
the amount of fourteen hundred dol-
lars be issued to Martin Thompson,
he having completed his contract on
the road from Phoenix to Swilling's
Ranch on the Agua Fria, as per
contract of June 14th, 1877.

THE COUNTY BONDS ADVERTISED FOR SALE.

July 14th, 1877. The Board of
Road Commissioners, advertised the
sale of ten thousand six hundred dol-
lars of the County Bonds, accord-
ing to law, but up to this date there
has been no offer for the Bonds at
the minimum price at which they
can be sold, viz., eighty per cent. of
their face value.

AMOUNT OF BONDS ISSUED.

Herewith we hand you an abstract
of the amount of Bonds received
from the County Treasurer and
amount issued to the several contrac-
tors for building roads, the amount
of Bonds still on hand, date of
issue of same, and amount of pres-
ent indebtedness of the Commission.

ABSTRACT "A."

Board of Wagon Road Commissioners of Mari-
copa County, in account with said County.

April 11th. To Bonds issued, Nos. 1 to 6
inclusive, \$15,000.00
May 19th. To Bonds issued, Nos. 7
to 26, inclusive, 5,000.00
Nov. 30th. To Bonds issued, Nos. 27
to 60, inclusive, 8,500.00

Total, \$28,500.00

CONTRA.

April 11th. By Bonds delivered to
King S. Woolsey, \$4,500.00
Aug. 12th. By Bonds delivered to
Martin Thompson, 1,400.00
Aug. 12th. By Bonds delivered to
J. H. Pierson, 1,500.00
Oct. 4th. By Bonds delivered to
J. B. Barton, 100.00
By amount of Bonds on hand
this date, 10,500.00

Total, \$18,000.00

ABSTRACT "B."

Showing present indebtedness of the Wagon
Road Commission:

To J. T. Alsap, \$100.00
" J. B. Barton, 250.00
" John Smith, 150.00
" W. H. Reynolds, 20.00
" John Wason, 15.00

Total indebtedness to date, \$505.00

It appears doubtful at present
whether the Bonds on hand can be
sold at the figure named in the Act,
and if not, it will be impossible to
complete the road from Phoenix to
Globe City.

The completion of said road at an
early date is, in our opinion, of the
utmost importance to our County.

Very Respectfully,

Your Obedient Servants,

JOHN SMITH, } Com'rs.
JEROME B. BARTON, }

VALENTINE'S DAY.

The Fourteenth Day Of February.

How It Was Celebrated In The
Fifteenth Century—Its Pres-
ent Observance.

Valentine's day, the 14th of Feb-
ruary, is, or more correctly was, cel-
ebrated in England, Scotland, and in
different parts of the continent, par-
ticularly Lorraine and Maine in
France, by a very peculiar and amus-
ing custom. On the eve of St. Val-
entine, a number of young folk—
maids and bachelors—would assem-
ble together, and inscribe upon
little billets the names of an equal
number of maids and bachelors of
their acquaintance, throw the whole
in a receptacle of some sort, and
then draw them lottery-wise—care,
of course, being taken that each
should draw one of the opposite sex.
The person thus drawn became one's
valentine. Of course, besides hav-
ing got a valentine for one's self,
one became, by the universality of
the practice, some other persons
valentine; but, as Misson, a learned
traveller in the early part of last
century, remarks, 'the man stuck fas-
ter to the valentine that had fallen
to him, than to her to whom he had
fallen.' These imaginary engage-
ments, as may be readily supposed,
often lead to real ones; but use one
necessary consequence of them was
that for a whole year, a bachelor re-
mained bound to the service of his
valentine, somewhat after the fash-
ion of a medieval knight of romance
to his lady-love. At one period, it
was customary for both sexes to
make each other presents, but lat-
terly the obligation seems to have
been restricted to young men. Dur-
ing the fifteenth century, this amuse-
ment was very popular among the
upper classes, and at many Euro-
pean courts. We see that in Charles
II.'s reign, married as well as single
people could be chosen.

For some time back, the festival
at least in England and Scotland—
has ceased to possess the graceful
symbolic meaning it used to have,
and has become a considerable nu-
isance. 'The approach of the day
is now heralded by the appearance
in the news dealers shop-windows of
vast numbers of missives calculated
for use on this occasion, each gen-
erally consisting of a single sheet of
post paper, on the first page of which
is seen some ridiculous-colored car-
icature of the male or female figure,
with a few burlesque verses below.
More rarely, the print is of a senti-
mental kind, such as a view of Hy-
men's altar, with a pair undergoing
initiation into wedded happiness be-
fore it, while Cupid flutters above,
and hearts transfixed with his darts
decorate the corners. Maid-servants
and young fellows interchange such
epistles with each other on the 14th,
of February, no doubt conceiving
that the joke is amazingly good;
and, generally, the newspapers do
not fail to record that the post-men
delivered so many thousand more
letters on that day than they do in
general.

The connection of the custom with
St. Valentine is purely accidental.
In the legends of the different saints
of that name recorded, no trace of
the practice peculiar to the 14th of
February is found.

In Bailey's Dictionary the follow-
ing explanation is given: 'About
this time of the year the birds choose
their mates, and probably thence
came the custom of the young men
and maidens choosing valentines or
special loving friends on that day.'

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